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# <u>Announcements</u>

**Attention MBP3 Members** – annual reporting forms are still available for 2007 <a href="http://www.michigan.gov/documents/deg/deg-ess-p2-mbp3-performancemeasurements\_189893\_7.doc">http://www.michigan.gov/documents/deg/deg-ess-p2-mbp3-performancemeasurements\_189893\_7.doc</a>

# MBP3 Partners

**MBP3 Partner, Awareness I DEAS.com** - No matter whether your interest is energy conservation, recycling, safety awareness or any other environmental concerns, Awareness IDEAS.com has always been here to make creating awareness simple and affordable. Now the website is even easier to use with sub categories grouping similar items together. We encourage you to check out the newly improved decal and handout sections below. <a href="http://www.awarenessideas.com/mbp3-Partnership-a/393.htm">http://www.awarenessideas.com/mbp3-Partnership-a/393.htm</a>

### **Energy Conservation Decals**

http://www.awarenessideas.com/2-Energy-Conservation-Decals-labels-and-stickers-s/10.htm

#### **Energy Conservation Handouts:**

http://www.awarenessideas.com/3-Energy-Conservation-Handouts-environmental-handouts-s/11.htm

#### **Recycling Decals:**

http://www.awarenessideas.com/2-Recycling-Decals-s/24.htm

#### **Recycling Handouts:**

http://www.awarenessideas.com/3-Recycling-Handouts-for-marketing-awareness-and-PR-s/25.htm

If you have information or comments regarding "Informational Requests", please send them to Jeff Spencer, MBP3 Coordinator, at <a href="mailto:spenceri3@michigan.gov">spenceri3@michigan.gov</a> (unless otherwise indicated).

# **Environmental Awareness**

#### **OECD Work on Nanotechnology**

http://www.oecd.org/document/36/0,3343,en\_2649\_34269\_38829732\_1\_1\_1\_1\_00.html

Waste Management, Inc. Sponsors Greenopolis Website http://greenopolis.com/



### Talking Trash: The World's Waste Management Problem

http://earthtrends.wri.org/updates/node/314

### **EDF Launches Alternative Paper Calculator Tool**

http://www.edf.org/papercalculator/

#### Ford Releases 2007/08 Sustainability Report

http://www.ford.com/microsites/sustainability-report-2007-08/default

### **Groups Sue to Force Info on Household Air Fresheners**

http://www.nrdc.org/health/home/airfresheners/contents.asp

#### 2008 Trends in Sustainable Development

http://www.un.org/esa/sustdev/publications/trends2008/

#### **EPA Partnership Programs**

http://www.epa.gov/partners/

# Honda Announces First FCX Clarity Customers and Fuel Cell Vehicle Dealership Network

http://world.honda.com/news/2008/4080616First-FCX-Clarity/

#### **MUCC Urges Expansion of Bottle Bill**

http://www.great-lakes.net/lists/enviro-mich/2008-06/msg00153.html

#### **Dial Debuts 'Green Assurance Program' for Cleaning Products**

http://www.infectioncontroltoday.com/hotnews/dial-green-assurance-program.html

## Sun Employees Save Money, Energy With Telecommuting

http://www.sun.com/2003-0114/feature/

### **EPA Announces Green Chemistry Challenge Awards**

http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/A2D4EA5B10E38CF985257472004D1CFF

### **Duke Plans \$100M Investment in Solar Energy**

http://earth2tech.com/2008/05/12/duke-energy-to-spend-100m-on-solar-rooftops/

#### Airlines Analyze Operations to Save Fuel

http://www.enn.com/business/article/37373

#### Anheuser-Busch Cleans Up Its Fleet

http://www.tradingmarkets.com/.site/news/Stock%20News/1667165/



Panasonic Creates 'Eco Ideas Factory' to Improve Products, Emissions

http://www.japancorp.net/article.asp?Art\_ID=18489

# **Energy & Climate Change**

**Michigan Energy Fair** will be back for its third year on June 27-29 at the Manistee County Fairgrounds in Onekama. <a href="www.glrea.org">www.glrea.org</a>

### **EPA Encourages Proper Use of Programmable Thermostats**

http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=business.bus\_summer\_ready

### House Hearing on Climate Change: Costs of Inaction

http://securityandclimate.cna.org/report/

### Major Progress Needed To Meet 25% Renewable Goal By 2025

http://www.rand.org/pubs/technical\_reports/TR384-1/

### Small Scale, Inexpensive, Residential Wind Turbine

http://www.gvsu.edu/news/index.cfm?fuseaction=home.read\_news&news\_id=A610E664-CB79-C636-EF5840AF5F92D1FE

#### **Innovative Approaches to Climate Change**

http://www.pewclimate.org/statefed08

### Winning the Fight against Climate Change: An EU Perspective

http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=SPEECH/08/333&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en

# Recycling

**OfficeMax Inc.** is offering customers a choice to use 100-percent post-consumer-content recycled paper when making copies at no cost for a limited time.

## **Home Depot Collecting CFLs**

http://www6.homedepot.com/ecooptions/stage/pdf/cfl\_recycle.pdf

# Water Quality & Conservation

## **EPA Proposes Vessel Discharge Permits**

http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/20A1037D335115A08525746A00581B0E



**Governor Applauds Compact & Water Management Bills** 

http://www.michigan.gov/gov/0,1607,7-168-23442 21974-195017--RSS,00.html

# Training/Workshop/Conference Opportunities

27<sup>th</sup> Annual International Submerged Lands Management Conference <a href="http://www.submergedlands2008.com/">http://www.submergedlands2008.com/</a>

Great Lakes Renewable Energy Association (GLREA) Energy Fair <a href="http://www.glrea.org">http://www.glrea.org</a>

Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative Conference <a href="http://www.toronto.ca/greatlakes-stlawrence/pdf/GLSLCI-pre-program.pdf">http://www.toronto.ca/greatlakes-stlawrence/pdf/GLSLCI-pre-program.pdf</a>

Michigan Clean Transportation 2008 Expo http://www.mct-expo.com/index.php

# **Feedback**

If you have not done so, please take a few moments to complete this short evaluation, thanks. http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=9IkHXUF9iifL6NjXBRHNag\_3d\_3d